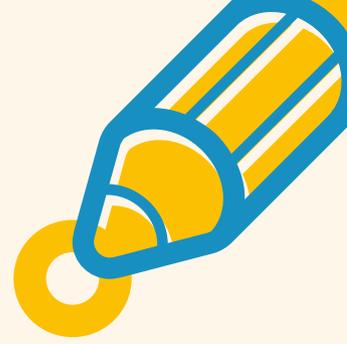




# VIRTUAL STORYTIME

@ the DeSoto Public Library



**APRIL 23RD, 2020**

Today's theme will focus on the importance of personal space and trying to find a little peace in a hectic situation.

Otis is tired of being cooped up with only Ms. Janelle, who drives him crazy because she won't let him sleep and keeps insisting that he read books and do other things!

## **BOOKS SHARED**

- Hector and Hummingbird. Nicholas John Frith. Scholastic. 2015.
- Leave Me Alone. Vera Brosgol. Roaring Brook Press. 2019.



## **PARENT TIP**

The current stay-at-home recommendations can be just as tiresome and frustrating for children, as they are for adults. Being stuck at home with little outside interaction can be particularly difficult for children who are still developing the ability to cope with emotional distress.

If the house is normally busy with many people, activities, and noise, allow your child to have some personal quiet time, just him/her alone or with you. This may help to calm and quiet a bit of anxiety.



## **EVERYONE'S IMPORTANT SONG**

tune of "Did you ever see a Lassie"

(Child's name)'s important, important, important  
(Child's name)'s important  
to you and to me

(he/she) does (his/her) best each day  
in work and in play  
(name)'s important to you and to me.

Repeat with other household member's names...



## **QUIET MOUSE FINGERPLAY**

Once there lived a quiet mouse  
(hold out fist with index finger extended)  
In a loud little house  
(insert index finger into other fist)  
When all was loud as loud can be  
Inside his hole stayed he  
(keep finger in fist)

**BUT...**

Once there lived a quiet mouse  
(hold out fist with index finger extended)  
In a quiet little house.  
(insert index finger into other fist)  
When all was quiet as can be  
**Out Popped He!!**  
(throw arms and hands apart)

